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MEMORANDUM FOR THE RECORD

Morning Meeting of 19 August 1965

Cline reported the good reception which the [redacted] [redacted] has received. He noted that the NIS program was going well. He reported that General Carroll will be sending a letter to the DCI requesting that the two Agencies do a monthly assessment on the effect of air strikes in North Vietnam. (See Action Item No. 1) He also noted a possible propaganda blow-up [redacted] polaris submarines [redacted] In response to Cline's request, the DCI furnished the theme for the meeting on Southeast Asia this afternoon.

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R. Jack Smith reported on [redacted] which will be executed tomorrow morning. He also noted the usefulness of interrogation reports on twelve North Vietnamese who had recently been captured.

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[redacted] reported that a memorandum on the [redacted] was ready for the DCI. This initiated a lengthy discussion of U.S.

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Peer de Silva reported that the [redacted] team leaves for Saigon today and will start work on Monday. He is seeing General Goodpaster today regarding a message from the Pentagon to MACV to smooth the way for the teams' work in South Vietnam. He noted that he will also see Marine Commandant General Greene today on the [redacted] project.

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[redacted] had The general consensus was against such use.

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Warner reported on a conversation with Stennis yesterday, the latter having assured him that the Agency budget was O.K.

Parrott reported on PFIAB members visit to Europe. Agency support had been outstanding.

[redacted] for DDS&T, reported on the precautionary measures which had been taken to protect certain facilities [redacted]

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Earman noted that Exercise [redacted] had been cancelled for this year. He also noted a letter [redacted] in which he accepted DCI's invitation to serve on the Strategic Weapons Panel.

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The DDCI reported on the conversation he and the Director had had yesterday with Secretary of Defense and Vance as to having an Agency officer assigned to MacNamara's office. (See Action Item No. 2.)

ACTIONS

1. In connection with the proposed monthly CIA/DIA assessment of bomb damage in North Vietnam, the DCI instructed that full exploitation be made of all sources in developing this report.

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2. The DDCI requested that a list of Agency publications be brought together and a letter be prepared for the DCI's signature to forward this list to Secretary MacNamara.

J. S. Earman

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